



# The Emerald News

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Dear Friends:

I have had the pleasure of working with many of you and your community groups this past month to address concerns and issues that you have reported to my office. I commend the dedication and commitment many of you have shown and am proud of the work we have accomplished together. Some of my favorite accomplishments from this past month include the installation of new street lights, crosswalks, and park improvements through the District.

At City Hall, my colleagues and I have made challenging decisions during recent council meetings on very important issues such as the closure of the Children's pool in La Jolla and a Medicinal Marijuana Co-Op Ordinance. It is important for me to know what your thoughts are on city related matters such as these and I invite you to contact my office to share your thoughts by calling (619) 236- 6699 or by emailing me at [MartiEmerald@SanDiego.gov](mailto:MartiEmerald@SanDiego.gov).

I look forward to working with you in the future to continue to promote trust in our government, provide safe neighborhoods, and create economic opportunities for those residing in District 9. Thank you for taking the time to read this month's issue of The Emerald News.

*Thanks, Marti*



Councilmember Emerald at the unveiling of the Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union. SDSU is now home to the first LEED platinum student union in the country!

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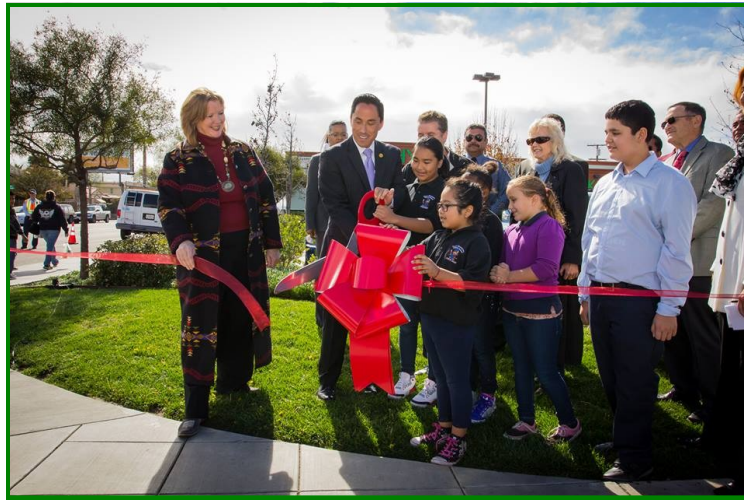
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## Safe Neighborhoods



Councilmember Emerald hosted a ribbon-cutting ceremony with Interim Mayor Gloria to celebrate the completion of safety improvements at key intersections in City Heights. Life and safety are paramount to the City of San Diego and this project provides a safer route for students who walk to and from Florence Griffith Joyner Elementary School.

## Public Safety—49 New Street Lights



Councilmember Emerald held a ceremony commemorating the installation of 49 new street lights in the Southcrest and Mountain View communities.

After many months of construction work and years of advocating from residents, Councilmember Emerald was pleased to see the project be completed which will make streets in Southcrest and Mountain View safer.



## Honoring Officer Henwood



“San Diego Police Officer Jeremy Henwood was a war hero who was universally respected by his fellow officers as well as the people of City Heights. He was a good man who died far too young.” - Marti Emerald

Earlier this month, family and friends gathered to honor Officer Henwood’s legacy by naming the park, located across from the Mid City sub-station where he was stationed, after him. A monument was erected in his honor to remind us all of his spirit and willingness to serve. Officer Henwood's dedication to protecting the residents of City Heights and San Diego will never be forgotten.

## March Events

**Saturday, March 1—College Area Community Garden Volunteer Work Party (10am—3pm) :** Bring work gloves, sun-screen, dark glasses, a wide brim hat, and sturdy shoes. It is suggested to not wear shorts. Bring a rake & shovel if you have them. The garden is located on the SDSU campus near the Children's Center.

**Saturday, March 1—Meet With Marti (10am—1130 am) :** Meet with Councilmember Emerald one on one at UDW Homecare Providers Union Hall at 4855 Seminole Drive. Please contact Chris Pearson at (619) 236- 6681 or at CPearson@Sandiego.gov with any questions.

**Sunday, March 2— Saturday, March 8— National Consumer Protection Week :** A coordinated campaign that encourages consumers nationwide to take full advantage of their consumer rights and make better-informed decisions.

**Sunday, March 30—Rolando Street Fair :**Produced by the Rolando Community Council, the Rolando Street Fair will be held on Sunday, March 30, 2014 from 10am-6pm. The Rolando Community Council is actively searching for volunteers to help with the event.

**Wednesday, April 2—Cherokee Point Community Clean Up:** Due to time constraints, city crews will not be able to return to collect items placed out after 8:00 a.m. Please contact Beth Riley at (858) 573-1260 for event information

# Marti in the District



Councilmember Emerald celebrated the 5th annual "Seussapaloosa" at Hardy Elementary this morning by reading Dr. Seuss' *The Lorax* to 2nd and 3rd graders!



Councilmember Emerald celebrated Valentine's Day at Teralta Park where free Blood Pressure Screenings, Valentine's Day Crafts, ZUMBA, Relay Races & other Heart Healthy Activities were provided!



Councilmember Emerald stopped by SDSU's Veteran Center and SDSU's Student Veteran Organization's home on campus to meet some of the men and women who have previously served our country and are now on a mission to further their education.



Councilmember Emerald celebrated the grand opening of the City Heights Square Mini Park today with Interim Mayor Gloria and several other community leaders.

## INTERNSHIPS

San Diego City Councilmember Emerald's office is currently accepting applications from motivated high school and college students looking to gain experience interning for an elected official.

Interested applicants should e-mail Julio Rivera a cover letter, résumé and at least one letter of recommendation, along with a brief writing sample, to [jcrivera@sandiego.gov](mailto:jcrivera@sandiego.gov). Please feel free to call (619) 236-6725 with any questions.